

REMARKS

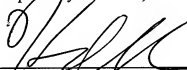
Applicant replies to the Office Action dated July 10, 2008, within the shortened three month statutory period for reply. Claims 1-5 were pending in the application and the Examiner allows claims 1-4 and rejects claim 5. Applicant thanks the Examiner for the allowance of claims 1-4. Applicant adds new dependent claim 7 and Applicant cancels claim 5 without prejudice to filing one or more claims, with similar subject matter, in another application. Support for the new claim may be found in the originally-filed specification, claims, and figures. No new matter has been introduced by the new claim. Reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested.

The Examiner rejects claim 5 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being obvious over Takano (USP 6,114,839) in view of Franklin (USP 5,240,022). Applicant respectfully traverses this rejection. However, to expedite prosecution, Applicant cancels claim 5, so this rejection is now moot.

Applicant adds new dependent claim 7, which depends from allowed independent claim 1. Because independent claim 1 is novel and allowed over the cited references, Applicant asserts that dependent claim 7 depending from independent claim 1 should also be allowable.

In view of the above remarks, Applicant respectfully submits that all pending claims properly set forth that which Applicant regards as its invention and are allowable over the cited references. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests allowance of the pending claims. The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the Examiner's convenience, if that would help further prosecution of the subject Application. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees due to Deposit Account No. 19-2814.

Respectfully submitted,



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